

EPCRA Reporting in Connecticut

Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act

Basics for Reporting year 2020

Reports Due March 1, 2021

January 2021 Presentation



Importance of Sharing Chemical Information

- Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act Tier II information
 - Provides state and local officials and the public with specific information on the amounts and location of hazardous chemicals present at a facility during the previous calendar year.
 - Increases effectiveness of coordination between state and local officials, which is important for emergency preparedness and planning.

Submit your information annually **by March 1** to:

- CT DEEP via EPA's software: *Tier2 Submit*
- Local Fire Department
- Local Emergency Planning Committee

Statutory requirement:

Chapter 446l - Emergency Response Commission (ct.gov)

Connecticut Requirements

For each reporting year (January 1 through December 31), the <u>Tier II</u>
 <u>Form</u> is due by or on March 1 of the following year.

- Report your information via Tier2
 Submit Download the latest version of Tier2 Submit.
- Please send *Tier2 Submit* electronic file submissions via email attachment to deep.ctepcra@ct.gov.

- DEEP will reply in kind to submissions (of *Tier2 Submit* electronic files only) made by email with an acknowledgment of receipt only, if one is requested.
- Email acknowledgment does not constitute validity of the data and a follow-up notification will be made to the facility if DEEP encounters problems with data.

Refer to the SERC Website for specific tier 2 reporting details

- See information on webpage: <u>Tier II Checklist (ct.gov)</u>
- An indication whether the information being reported on page one of the form is identical to that submitted last year.
- The complete name and address of the location of your facility (include the full street address or state road, city, county, state and zip code), latitude and longitude.
- The name, title, phone number and email address of at least one local individual that can act as a referral if emergency responders need assistance in responding to a chemical accident at your facility. You must also provide an emergency phone number which will be available 24 hours a day, every day.
- Certification The owner or operator or the officially designated representative of the owner or operator must certify that all information included in the "Tier2 Submit" submission is true, accurate and complete on a Connecticut Tier2 Submit Certification (PDF, Word).
- Please electronically submit Connecticut's EPCRA Certification Page. Please print, sign and scan. Then, add it as a second attachment to the electronic Tier II submittal email.

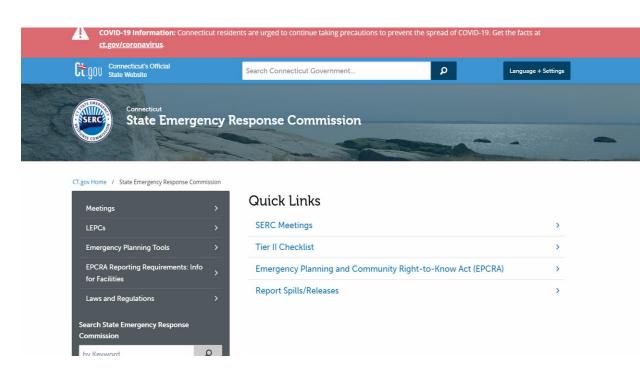
Online Training Available to Facilities on Climate Resilient Chemical Management

- The free training is available on CT DEEP's Pollution Prevention Webpage at https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/P2/Chemical-Management-and-Climate-Resilience
- and on SERC's webpage along with other resources for businesses at https://portal.ct.gov/SERC/Commission-Information/Training-Opportunities
- Link to training:
- The 21st Century Resilient Business: How Managing Chemicals Can Help Your Business Weather the Storm
- This training is intended to assist ECPRA Tier II facilities ensure they update their emergency plans to recognize the potential for flooding on their chemical management.
- This training can help with updates required by state law at CGS Sec. 22a-610. "Update of hazardous mitigation and evacuation plans by facilities at high risk of flooding, severe weather events or a rise in sea level. Enhanced community notification and emergency evacuation procedures."



Information Sources

- Connecticut Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection
- CT State Emergency Response Commission
 - Email for electronic submissions: DEEP.CTEPCRA@ct.gov
 - Website: <u>State Emergency Response Commission</u> (ct.gov)
 - Peter Zack, Director, Emergency Response and Spill Prevention Division 860-424-3024
 - Diane Duva, Director, Emergency Response Planning and Support Office <u>Diane.Duva@ct.gov</u> 860-424-3420
 - Lisa Lawson, Secretary, Emergency Response and Spill Prevention Division 860-424-3373



- U.S. EPA Region 1
 - Len Wallace Wallace.Len@epa.gov
 - 617-918-1835
- Your Local or Regional LEPC